



Our Lady Star of the Sea Apollo Bay
 Our Lady of Fatima Lorne
 St Mary's Colac
 St Peter's Birregurra



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Colac and Apollo Bay Parishes are a community of believers, who strive to bring Christ's good news to all people in the district. Through service, caring and love we aim to create an environment of respect and understanding in which everyone can grow. We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years.

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 29th September 2024 –Year B



Responsorial Psalm

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
 Your word, O Lord, is truth;
 make us holy in the truth.
 Alleluia!

This Week's Readings

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Numbers 11:25-29, St James 5:1-6, Mark 9:38-43. 45. 47-48

Next Week's Readings

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 2:18-24. Hebrews 2:9-11. Mark 10:2-16.

Deaths: Gerard Conheady, (W'bool), Jenny Corby (nee Daffy- C'down), Freda Gleeson (Purrim), V.M. Ninon (Kerala-India), Leo Klein (Newcastle).

Anniversaries: Lorraine Mahoney, John & Mary Moloney, John Arackal, Bill Maslen, Joan Heath, Ruth Doupe, Norma Henriksen, Georgia Andreadakis, Dora Phillips, Margaret O'Sullivan, Marie Mercuri, Owen Britt, John Brown, John Griful, Mary Carew, Adele Feeley, Christine Geraldine, Fr Michael Quigley, Sr Margaret Gaster G.S.

MASS TIMES - COLAC, CRESSY, BIRREGURRA.		
Tuesday	5.00pm	St Mary's
Wednesday	10.00am	St Mary's
Thursday	10.00am	St Mary's
Friday	10.00am	St Mary's
Saturday	6.00pm	St Mary's
Sunday	9.00am 11.00am	St Mary's
Rosary - each Thursday: 9.30am St Mary's Church		
St Mary's: Holy Hour- 1st Tuesday of the month: 4-5pm		
STAR OF THE SEA - APOLLO BAY		
Tuesday	5.30pm	
Wed, Thurs., Fri.	10am	
Sunday	11am	
OUR LADY OF FATIMA – LORNE		
Sunday	9am	

FEAST DAY: September 30th St Jerome

- **October 1st St. Therese of the Child Jesus**
- **October 2nd The Holy Guardian Angels**
- **October 4th St Francis of Assisi**
- **October 5th St Faustina**

Sympathy To: * Jacob (& Jinu Ninan-also twins: Jiya & Jisa Gr.3 St Mary's) on the death of Jacobs father suddenly this week in Kerala. Family returning Oct. 16th.

EARLY NOTICE: CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE
Ballarat Diocesan Reflection Day 23rd October 2024
 St Mary's Colac - More information next week.

THIS WEEKS MEETING

Apollo Bay Finance Meeting: Thursday 3rd Oct -5pm.

Colac Ministers Association: Wednesday 2nd Oct - 11am.

Congratulations: * Olivia Edwards: who will celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, confirmation & Eucharist this Tuesday: 5pm Mass.,

SAFETRAC: Wednesday – 5pm: St Parish Office – Mandy to assist Members: Finance Committee – Parish leadership Committee; Oter Parishioners in / Leadership Positions Bishop Paul wrote to our Parish: *"In April this year, our Professional Standards Office sent Parishes a new safeguarding training module called "Safetrac", requesting that this training be completed by those parishioners who have been nominated by Parishes as having particular ministries in the Parish that require them to do this basic training. However, a small number of people nominated by Parishes have yet to complete the training, even after several reminders. In view of the importance of this training, I have decided that the time has come to set a deadline for this training to be completed. I ask that all those who have been nominated by their Parishes for this training complete the training by October 31 this year. If, for whatever reason, any do not complete the training by that date, they should suspend their ministry in the Parish until they complete the training. Thank you for your cooperation in the vital task of ensuring that our Parish communities are safe places for everyone.*

God bless you all.

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

O God, The law of the LORD is perfect,
refreshing the soul;

the decree of the LORD is trustworthy,
giving wisdom to the simple.

The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever;
the ordinances of the LORD are true, all of them just.

Though your servant is careful of them,
very diligent in keeping them,
yet who can detect failings?

Cleanse me from my unknown faults!

From wanton sin especially, restrain your servant;
let it not rule over me.

Then shall I be blameless and innocent of serious sin.

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APOLLO BAY & LORNE

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Appointments

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Wendy Garner

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@Communion To the Sick & Housebound: This Ministry for so long a 'shining light' in our Parish. Due to Covid it had to be curtailed. Now is the time for the Ministry to be offered again. Parishioners and their families who request this Ministry can contact Mandy at the Parish Office: 52312177 (Mon to Fri 9am – 12 noon). Special Ministers of the Eucharist who wish to partake in this Ministry – May also contact Mandy.

World Day of Migrants & Refugees – Sunday, September 29, 2024

Pope Francis' Prayer for the 110th World Day of Migrants & Refugees

2024 God Almighty Father, we are your pilgrim Church journeying towards the Kingdom of heaven. We live in our homeland, but as if we were foreigners. Every foreign place is our home, yet every native land is foreign to us. Though we live on earth, our true citizenship is in heaven. Do not let us become possessive of the portion of the world you have given us as a temporary home. Help us to keep walking, together with our migrant

brothers and sisters, toward the eternal dwelling you have prepared for us.

Open our eyes and our hearts so that every encounter with those in need becomes an encounter with Jesus, your Son and our Lord. Amen.

Season of Creation 2024: Thanks to Sr Gerri Boylan & Mandy for preparing our Communion Reflection with the Theme: 'Starling Flying Starling Murmuration'

2024 Season of Creation Prayer

Triune God, Creator of all, we praise you for your goodness, visible in all the diversity that you have created, making us a cosmic family living in a common home. Through the Earth you created, we experience love and nourishment, home and protection. We confess that we do not relate to the Earth as a Mothering gift from you, our Creator. Our selfishness, greed, neglect, and abuse have caused the climate crisis, loss of biodiversity, human suffering as well as the suffering of all our fellow creatures. We confess that we have failed to listen to the groans of the Earth, the groans of all creatures, and the groans of the Spirit of hope and justice that lives within us.

May your Creator Spirit help us in our weakness, so that we may know the redeeming power of Christ and the hope found in him. May the groans of the Spirit birth in us a willingness to serve you faithfully, so that we may hear and heal Creation, to hope and act together with her, so that the first fruits of hope may blossom.

Loving and Creator God, we pray that you will make us sensitive to these groans and enable us to have the same compassion as that of Jesus, the redeeming Lord.

Grant us a fresh vision of our relationship with Earth, and with one another, as creatures that are made in your image. In the name of the one who came to proclaim the good news to all Creation, Jesus Christ. Amen.

